

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

IN THE MATTER OF) MS 20-92
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COURT) FIRST AMENDED) ORDER FOR CRIMINAL JURY TRIALS
	BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 2, 2020
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Due to the restrictions created by the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic, the Fourth Judicial District will reinstate the December 2020 Jury Panel for criminal cases only. Jury trials will be limited to the following criminal cases:

Jury selection schedule for December 2020 Criminal Cases Only:

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 <u>State v. Ottis Walker</u> CR17-1037 (Ann Miller/Brenda Beadle/Jerry Hug/James McGough)

Back up 1: State v. Brandon Kane CR19-2665 (Desiree Stormont/Adam Johnson)

Back up 2: State v. Fabian Jefferson CR20-2238 (Molly Keane/Jason Troia)

Back up 3: State v. Cordell Bridgeman CR20-1143 (Eric Wells/Brian Craig)
Back up 4: State v. Javeris Walker CR20-1551 (Desiree Stormont/Noelle
Obermeyer)

Back up 5: State v. Azendae McKizzie CR20-2525 (Shawn Hagerty/Cindy Tate) [DERR]

Monday, December 7, 2020 State v. Jared Nichols and State v. Dennis Nichols CR20-567/ CR20-978 (Beth Benianto/Korey Taylor)

Back up 1 State v. Tyler CR -19-4529 (Kati Kilcoin/John Cavanaugh)

Back up 2 State v. Ivan Fourhorns CR20-1968 (Tressa Alioth/John Jay Jedlicka)

Back up 3 State v. Jeffrey F. Wernimont CR19-3732 (Sean Lavery/Johnathan Crosby)

Back up 4 State v. David Holloway CR19-4819 & CR-20-2013 (Molly Keane/Travis Wampler)

Back up 5 State v. Roton Nero CR20-2286 (Rob Mactaggart/Korey Taylor)

Back up 6 State v. Julio Velsquez CR19-3004 (Erin Hurley/Kati Kilcoin/Chris Roth)

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- Wednesday, December 9, 2020 State v. Victor Cobarruvias-Ozuma CR 20-645 (Molly Keane/Thomas Campbell)
 - Back-up 1: State v. Elvis Hanes CR 19-2145 (David Wear/ Travis Wampler)
- Back-up 2: State v. Jammil Alexis CR 20-1997 (Nissa Jones/April Lucas) [STRATMAN]
- Monday, December 14, 2020 State v. David Stastny CR 19-1834 & CR 20-152 (Beth Beninato/Abbi Romshek)
- Back-up 1: State v. Matthew Gehrts CR 20-1327 (Desiree Stormont/Bethany Stensrud)
- **Back-up 2:** State v. Arthur Plunkett CR 19-2898 (Jameson Cantwell/Jeanine Tlustos)
 - Back-up 3: State v. Anthony Curry CR 20-473 (Rob MacTaggart/Bill O'Brien)
 - Back-up 4: State v. James A. Bates CR 20-1359 (Sean Lavery/Doug Johnson)
- **Back-up 5:** <u>State v. Shane Holbert</u> CR 19-4649 (Jennifer Meckna/Abbi Romshek)
- **Back-up 6:** <u>State v. Ramirez-Loarca</u> CR 20-1073 (Kati Kilcoin/Chinedu Igbokwe)
- **Back-up 7:** <u>State v. Vincent Burns</u> CR 20-1349 (Michael Jensen/Abbi Romshek)
- **Back-up 8:** <u>State v. Tricia Melena</u> CR 17-3325 (Jennifer Meckna/Travis Wampler)
 - Back-up 9: State v. Marco Linale CR 20-1834 (Tressa Alioth/Seth Morris)
- Back-up 10: <u>State v. Mauricio Padilla</u> CR 20-243 (Beth Beninato/Korey Taylor) [SCHATZ]
- Wednesday, December 16, 2020

 Wear/John Jay Jedlicka)

 State v. Dejah Lawrence CR19-4024 (David
- **Back-up 1:** State v. Demetrion Washington CR 20-1481 (Sarah Moore /Allyson Mendoza)
- Back-up 2: State v. James Fairbanks CR 20-1777 (Brenda Beadle / Steve Lefler)
- Back-up 3: State v. Alazontae White CR 20-2370 (Sean Lavery/Jessica West)
 [BOWIE]

Jury summonses for the December 2020 jury panel have been mailed.

Douglas County District Courts have taken measures to mitigate the effects of this public health emergency upon our Courts and its participants. The Court finds that having additional trials during the month of December would be impossible due to the ongoing social distancing restrictions for the public. The Directed Health Order issued by the Nebraska Department of Public Health and Human Services orders "a minimum distance of six (6) feet between" all persons. The Douglas County Courthouse and Courtrooms do not have the space available to accommodate any additional jury trials while at the same time maintaining social distancing restrictions. The Court recognizes that the restrictions ordered by the Directed Health Order are not legally binding on the Court, but the Court, nonetheless, finds that adherence to these restrictions is in the best interest of the public for their health and safety.

Due to the restrictions caused by the pandemic, the Court finds that all other criminal cases scheduled for the December, 2020 jury panel are continued for good cause pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-1207(4)(f) to the next available trial date for the individual court.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Dated this 21st day of October, 2020.

BY THE COURT:

HORACIO J. WHEELOCK

PRESIDING JUDGE, FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT